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We are residents and homeowners in Carlsbad. We are apposed to the new power plant being proposed by NRG at a location along the Carlsbad coastline. Technology has made possible that new power plants no longer depend on ocean water for cooling and therefore this plant does not need to be located by the coast. We have a number of concerns:

Once I-5 is widened, the plant would be dangerously close to the freeway and would be the closest power plant ever to a major highway. Fire officials have said the proposed site, wedged between the I-5 freeway and railroad tracks, lacks access for fire engines and other emergency vehicles. The recent fire at a similar plant in Escondido last December highlighted this concern.

We understand the need for sources of power, however we now have the technology to locate these necessities in industrial areas, away from tourism, our views and the coastline we all love and cherish. When the existing old plant is eventually torn down, city officials would like to see the land improved in a way that increases beach and lagoon access and benefits the community. We would like to see that happen as well.

Please consider a less precious location for an eyesore.

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